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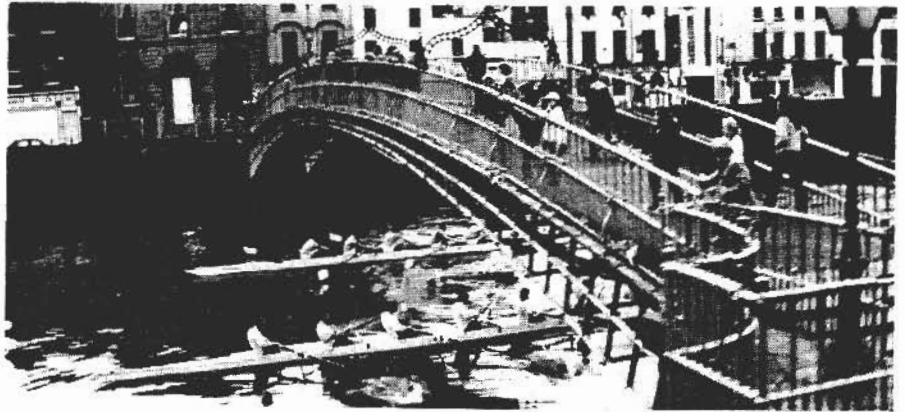
GANNON RETAINED ... *JUST!*

Interest was keen in this year's clash and speculation frantic in the light of UCD's recent resurgence in the Senior Rowing category. Indeed they claimed their first Head of the River victory in many years at Enniskillen in March.

In the Dublin Head of the River the Trinity VIII reminded the pundits that losing last year's graduates to Neptune did not spell a one-horse championship race, coming in just six seconds behind the green and black in a time of 12:39.

So when the Gannon Cup came around, two crews lined up outside the Guinness brewery with the scent of victory 2,200 meters down the Liffey in their nostrils. Trinity's experience on the south and UCD's power on the North. Two full open decked buses and a milling horde of cyclists waited tensely for the start.

On the 'go', UCD pumping a solid rate of 42 strokes/minute took a slight lead and by Watling Street bridge (one minute) they had stretched it to three quarters of a length. As the race unfolded, Trinity remained at a frantic



The two crews shoot Ha'penny Bridge

rate of 39 to UCD 36 - still almost a length behind - and to most of the supporters, it seemed like their brute strength had beaten the men in black and white. Few had accounted for Trinity's reslove.

To the Four Courts we held on grimly, just under a length down, bringing the rate to a comfortable 36 and clearly putting the strain on UCD. The fight back that ensued was irresistible. The first push brought the gap down to half a length by Capel Street Bridge and by the Ha'penny

Bridge the crews were level. With a slight lead going into O'Connell Bridge, Trinity's final drive brought the rate back-up to an unforgiving 39 and when the crews emerged a cheer went up as UCD were seen to be half a length behind. This lead held for the remaining 15 strokes of the race, Trinity relieved at the end to have repelled what was a brace UCD assault on the Colours Boat race of 1997.

Micheal O' Connell

APPEAL NEWS 1996

Our sincere thanks once again to everyone who contributed last year to the annual Appeal. This final figure came to just on £4,200, keeping it very much in line with 1995. There were some new names contributing too, which is great to see, and to them a hearty welcome, and stay with us. Our invitation to contribute through standing orders had some success too,

and thank you to those who committed themselves to go down that road. Perhaps other's may be encouraged to follow suit.

A new coxed four has arrived giving the club a pair of good coxed fours. This and, of course, the crew's accommodation at Henley, which is still a prime objective, has been the main beneficiaries of the appeal this time, all of invaluable assistance.

Robin Tamplin

LATEST LIZZIE FASHION

For all you loyal Lizzie members out there you can now get your own cufflinks, made to order, in ultra marine and old gold. Very discreet, yet unmistakably Lizzie, they set off a city shirt perfectly. Contact *Raymond Blake* through 23.01. to order a pair. Plans are also in the offing to commission a similar design in the DUBC colours.

"ANOTHER REBUILDING YEAR"

Mark Pollock reviews the year so far

My time in D.U.B.C. has shown me that the success of the club both on and off the water largely depends on the consistent strength of the novice ranks. Over the last couple of years this fundamentally important area of the club has not been attracting and retaining the quality or numbers to make an impact in future years at senior level. This year, I would hope sees the renewal of the policy of breeding our own oarsmen whilst not neglecting attempts to attract competent schoolboy oarsmen.

As a result of the lack of input from past novice oarsmen this year the senior squad has been rather small in relation to the huge numbers signing up for Neptune. However, this is not to say that Trinity are going to lie down and take what to any outsiders may have looked like the inevitable. During the winter a certain degree of adaptation was made to our "traditional" training programme. We began the year attempting to learn to row in a more proficient manner rather than simply attaining the highest level of fitness and bashing the boat along. With this in mind our annual training camp in Cappoquin, with the help of Dan Murray, saw extensive small boats work. Two coxed fours were raced in Lagan

and Erne. In Belfast the results were less than satisfactory being beaten by Neptune. However pride was restored in Erne where the club was placed first and second in the coxed fours. The small boats policy continued in Galway with our first place in the coxed fours over Neptune and a win in the scullers head in a coxless pair. The first outing of the year in the VIII was also in Galway and the third race for four of the crew. A not to distant third behind two Neptune boats was reasonably encouraging. Dublin Head was two weeks after Galway with the Gannon one week after that and so attention began to shift towards the VIII. Starting first in Dublin after last year's result we were beaten by a strong Neptune VIII who took the head from us by just six seconds. At the time of writing we have just won the Gannon. However as you have read it was not as convincing as would have been hoped, but we have more important races to think about in the future. I would like to extend my personal thanks and that of the squad to Nick Dunlop who continues to give up his time to coach often in extremely testing conditions.

With the University Championships in the not to distant future and the Wylie Cup at stake the

progress of the novices becomes all the more important. As there is no Intermediate VIII, the combined results of the seniors and the novices will determine our fate in the Championships. The novice squad under the guidance of Brendan Smyth, helped by James O'Reilly and Shane Hurlihey and others, has developed well. Poor results were recorded in Lagan and the first VIII was scuppered by UCD crashing into them before the start in Erne. Despite this they came back to finish third overall in Galway and won the Novice pennant in Dublin Head. The Gannon proved to be out of reach as UCD moved ahead early, off a faster starting station, to win by just over one length and the 2nd VIII losing by only half a length.

Many thanks to all those who have been involved this year in all areas of the club from coaching to administration. It is only with the help of current and old members that we will be able to maintain our position at the highest level of the sport. Producing our own home grown oarsmen must remain a priority so no future captain need write these terrible words "another rebuilding year".

Norman Gillett Appears on the Tideway.

"What the dickens do I need this for?", one time DUBC cox *Norman Gillett* asked while being helped into his life-jacket. The London head of the River for Veterans was about to start and its latest regulations require this accoutrement to be worn. Slithering himself in he murmured "In all my forty years of coxing I've never seen such nonsense." But considering the importance of the occasion he complied.

Gillett was about to steer a Veteran VIII of the London Rowing Club in the London Head of the River for Veterans. The event took on a nostalgic touch when he noticed that the bow position was filled by a Lizzie member *Rob Van Mesdag* who told him that last year *Bill Lewis* rowed in the same crew. Gillett further heard London R.C. members talk about some poor Lizzie man *George Hallows* who was to have rowed in another veteran crew but was dispatched to South Africa by his engineering firm the day before.

"And where is *Chris George*?" Gillett wondered, knowing that George, now in his forty's, has been training with London's elite squad of 20 year olds for the past few years and still keeps up with them. But somehow London did not require his services, and Chris found refuge in a Thames R.C. crew on Saturday's Head for elite's and in an Upper Thames Veteran crew the next day.

Gillett met more Lizzie colleagues. At the finish of the course he heard the bow of a strange-looking boat from the depths of England shout at him. It was *Tony Wilson* rowing with Bradford R.C. Tony and Norman had not seen one another since Henley '96

After the race, nearly back at the London boathouse, Norman was shouted at again. This time it was ex-DUBC captain *Gerry Blanchard* who expressed his surprise and delight at seeing his old friend back in the cox's seat and on the Tideway. **Photo on page 8.**

OBITUARY FRANZ FANSENFELD



Franz Fansenfeld who stroked the Novice VIII in 1995 died in a tragic accident in France

during the Easter holidays. He was only 20 years old. Franz will be remembered fondly by all those who knew him in many different ways, such as the appeal of his diverse character. Franz's vibrant personality was indelibly impressed upon all those who came into contact with him.

Always an eager participant, Franz began his college sporting career in the Boat Club, rowing as stroke for the Novice VIII as well as enjoying all the activities off the river. In a short time even as a novice he became a well known and respected member of the club. He was also a keen hockey player, which for Franz provided both athletic and social pleasure, evident from his frequent appearance in the Pavilion bar. Franz was the one person who could always be relied on to show enthusiasm for any suggestion or activity when others wavered, being an incredibly lively person with infectious energy.

The enormous number of his contemporaries who attended Franz's funeral provide the tangible evidence of the companionship he gave and enjoyed. Such a colourful personality living life to its very limits has left us much to remember and admire, as we extend our deepest sympathy to Franz's family

James Lindsay-Fynn

THE INTERMEDIATE VIII

Survival of the Fittest

The year started off with a high number of oarsmen in the intermediate squad. Training ran along the lines of the seniors except the weekend outings which were run without a coach. As a result the performances in St Michael's were nothing to write home about but in January the squad came under the direction of Pat Tracey who introduced a hardened regime of erg tests followed by more erg tests with a lot of training in-between.

The first major race on the Lagan was a bit of an eye opener for all involved with everyone realising that their technique needed to be cleaned up in order to be at the top of their level. A month later the Inter VIII left the start at Erne head and finished second completing a double for Trinity.

The fall out of seniors was now filtering it's way into the squad which was gearing up for Galway and beating Queens. The VIII selected started in front of Queens and after a ropey start settled down to win their division by three seconds helped enormously by Bernard Cullen's steering.

The aim for Dublin Head was not just to win the Inter pennant but to beat UCD's Senior VIII which was only five seconds faster than us in Galway. The pennant was duly won but UCD's

eight managed to pull away and win 20 seconds up in the order. The Colours race proved to be of little consequence with a win by four lengths after the inevitable UCD boot from the blocks.

The first regatta of the year was not to be so easy, losing to Queens in the semi-finals and again the next day at Commercial. During Commercial we also raced a Senior VIII with the inclusion of Martin Murphy and Steve Richmond in the stern seats. The VIII lost to UCD by 1/4 of a length.

At Castlwellan the fate of the Wylie rested on our shoulders as Queens won the Novice VIII. All they needed was a win in the Inter VIII to take the trophy home. Sadly they did this by beating us by 1/2 a length. Worse still, UCD with a strengthened VIII managed to come 2nd 1/4 length behind Queens. Queens regatta was similar in terms of results, however we were getting closer but lacked that edge. Some consolation was gained with a good performance in the IV's and wins in the inter pairs for Andrew Coleman and John Mohan on both days, at Queens beating a Neptune senior pair by two feet.

Trinity Regatta loomed its head and everyone was preparing for both the racing and the running of the event.

The first race was against City of Oxford who were easily beaten. The next race against Guards proved to be more challenging. The burst at the finish came too late and we lost by 1/4 length. The crew and the coach decided that Henley was a viable option so Pat Tracey drew up a vigorous programme of many seat races and pacing sessions with Defence Forces which pushed everyone to their limit. After the now infamous 12 days of seat racing had finished and the crews had been selected, Athlone regatta beckoned. Having missed out in Metro the crew were eager to show what they could do. This was not to materialise having slipped just in time to arrive for the start. However, with better preparation the four that materialised from the seat racing of Andrew Coleman, Kevin Jacob, Conor Fennessy and John Johnson won Senior 3 fours coxed by Irene Nolan.

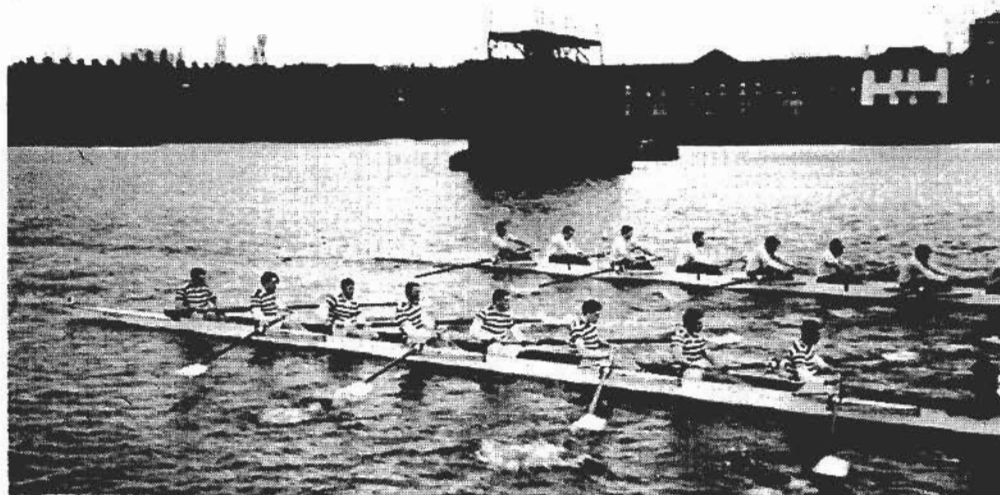
The next stop was Enniskillen for a three day training camp rowing alongside our hosts Portora. The boat moved on and everyone was ready to hit Henley but on the last outing a rib snapped. A potential disaster, but thanks to the craftsmanship of Tommy Smith from Neptune we were able to

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The Senior Report

Grand Slam followed by disappointment

The 1995-96 season began well with what seemed to be a strong squad arriving at Island Bridge in early October. Six of the previous years VIII had returned along with old faces Ciaran Lewis and Brendan Smyth, and one new one in William Gilbert. The large squad was soon narrowed down to 12, and moved to Blessington to train under the guidance of Nick Dunlop, assisted by Raymond Blake and at times Gerry Macken.



The Senior VIII of 1996 in action on the Lagan

Two new Concept II Model C ergometers were purchased at this time, which greatly improved the quality of the land training. The first race of the year was St Michael's head at O'Brien's Bridge. It was used mainly as a time trial, with some seniors racing four times over the course in various combinations. Ailill O'Reilly won the Novice sculls while Ciaran Lewis and William Gilbert won the Senior pairs, and there was a good showing for DUBC in the top 10 of both these events.

We therefore disbanded for Christmas in high spirits, meeting up again in January 2nd for a five day training camp in Cappoquin. We hoped for good weather and plenty of rowing, but these were quashed by weather which made the river resemble the

Atlantic ocean. However, we did have the Murray hospitality to fall back on and even ended up doing circuits in Cappoquin Rowing Club. The weather did let up enough for two rowing trips to Youghal, once in an VIII and once in a quad, however the latter was only completed after strong protests were overcome by James Lindsay-Fynn's determination. A new launch engine was purchased around this time as the old one gave up the ghost halfway through the week.

An eight was provisionally selected for the head season after the camp, and we arrived in Belfast itching to race. Neptune led the race off and finished in the belief that they had done enough. However the DUBC VIII had risen from a starting position of 6th to finish third overall

overtaking UCD, Queens and Commercial along the way, to take Lagan head by seven seconds from Neptune.

Erne Head was next on the agenda, where the Senior VIII ran out easy winners with our trusty Captain capably filling the shoes of the injured Ciaran Lewis. Even without John Mohan the intermediates were able to finish 2nd overall and win their class comfortably. In Galway the good weather boded well for good racing and this was indeed to be the case. The line up of the VIII had changed with Brendan Smyth moving up the boat to seven

while Ciaran Lewis, Peter Lennon and James Lindsay-Fynn moved down the boat to five, three and bow respectively. Although the expected national lightweight VIII failed to turn up we still had a good race with

Neptune, who we were only able to beat by a disappointing margin of three seconds, thus defying the opinion of many towpath experts.

The Senior VIII completed the 'Grand Slam' of the Head season by taking Dublin Head by thirteen seconds, once again from Neptune. These wins created a great feeling of optimism at Trial VIII's which of course had nothing to do with the amount of alcohol consumed. The optimism proved to be well founded as far as the Gannon Cup was concerned as UCD were demolished by 4 1/2 lengths.

Neptune Regatta saw the first side by side race with our rivals in green and black and the Senior four managed to beat the Neptune crew, although they did lose to the Olympic Lightweight

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The Intermediate VIII in the Henley Hilton

INTERS QUALIFY

line up for the Friday qualifiers.

The VIII qualified well up the

field and drew Dartmouth College, USA. The crew never really settled and unfortunately lost. Some

consolation was gained the next day

when Queens were beaten by the same crew but by a bigger margin. The Inter Pot could still be won.

Back in Blessington the crew was hampered by the injury of the stroke, Conor Fennessey, resulting in a reshuffle and a recall for Anthony Travers. In Iniscarra the VIII did not even make the final finishing fourth in their heat. The next day Kevin Jacob and Andrew Coleman finished third in the pairs and the four, again with a crew change, finished down the field in their final.

The year was over and it was time to lament and cry into pints about what could have been. It could have been good but everyone agreed there was always next year.

Conor Fennessey

SENIORS CARRY ON

four in the final. In the eagerly awaited eights race some wayward steering saw Trinity disqualified, although the crews did race on, even though James had come off his

seat our masochistic bowman was very proud of his lacerations, although not everyone wanted to look.

The next aim was the University Championships and Queens regatta. We duly won everything we entered at the University Championships but the failure of the intermediates or novices to achieve victory meant that Queens took the Wylie cup. At Queen's Regatta the following day, Neptune reversed their defeat of the senior fours from their own regatta, beating us into second place by one length. Revenge was to come later in the senior VIII's race, when the Trinity crew beat Neptune by one and a

half lengths to great celebrations all round.

Trinity Regatta was next on the agenda and although everything ran smoothly, it should be forgotten as the only win was James Lindsay-Fynn in the novice sculls. A few weeks later we travelled to Blessington for the Metropolitan regatta which was once again raced in very bad conditions. Partly due to lack of experience and good watermanship, the senior VIII and IV lost races to Neptune crews.

A change of scenery was to come as the Senior VIII freed from the pressures of exams made the trip to Amsterdam to race at the regatta on the famous Basbaan. We met stiff competition in the form of Dutch, Australian and Italian Olympic teams along with Cambridge University and Imperial College amongst others. Our accommodation was arranged by Rob van Mesdag in the form of the "Flying Pig Hostel". It was at this location that Raymond Blake was

memorably heard to ask other guests politely for some quiet so that the crew could sleep. The experience gained was invaluable and we would like to thank all those who helped to make the trip possible.

The crew then made its way to Henley, and despite the latest rule changes we felt that we could end our losing streak but once again it was not to be Trinity's year.

The National Championships took place over three days in Inishcarra, Co. Cork. On the Friday the Senior IV finished third in it's final behind St Michael's and Neptune. On the Sunday despite a huge effort, we again finished third behind Neptune and St Michael's.

In summary the year started very well, with a lot of promise for the regatta season. However, this promise was not fulfilled, which was disappointing for all concerned to say the least.

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ALL LIVING MEMBERS MUST ATTEND**

HENLEY REPORT

The same old story

Again after a very successful home season, the DUBC Senior VIII travelled to Henley Royal Regatta with serious intentions of going one step further than the by now habitual second placing in the Temple Challenge cup. Surely this would be the year. Amsterdam had proved a great boost to morale when we took two lengths off Imperial College's Temple Crew - always a reliable benchmark. However the rules had



The VIII - (Bow) Lindsay-Fynn, Murphy, Lennon, Gilbert, Lewis, Ó'Connell, Smyth, Goodsir - Cullen (cox)

been changed since 1995 making the Temple a stronger event - not unlike the Ladies Plate pre 1985 and crews from University of London, Yale and Durham also fancied their chances.

The Dudenys provided us, for what was to prove the last time, with accommodation ensuring that we could all keep our minds on the proverbial job at hand in the run up to the regatta.

And so the Regatta came. With 48 crews entered Trinity had a bye into the second round and so lined up for the first race against Atlantic City High School-US High School Champions and a few oarsmen too old to row the Princess Elizabeth. Our weakness on the start was exposed when they opened up half a length lead by the end of the island which was extended to a

length at the barrier. However our experience and strength over the Americans saw us through to win with clear water to spare.

Friday dealt us Durham who also proved to be hard to hold off the start. They had in fact not one but two lengths over us at the barrier. But again we wore them down, and in the end had a two and a half length win surprising ourselves as much as anybody else. Oxford Brookes in the quarter final promised a greater challenge but did not deliver and we avenged our defeat at their hands in 1993 and 1995 with a 4 1/2 length win. Both semi-final and final would be held on the Sunday. We were more than happy to miss the annual Guinness.

Yale, Trinity and semi-finals

have not been known to mix well from a Trinity prospective at least, but this was far from our minds as we lined up against the Ivy League boys at noon on Sunday. The crew had impressed all week but curiously had struggled against Cardiff by a third of a length. The one time they were on the arguably slower Bucks station. But today they were on the Berks station and shot to a half a length lead by the end of the island.

We rallied to get back on terms but had nothing to counter their push at the quarter mile which gave them clear water. The race unfolded as a gruelling death match, Yale underrating us by three strokes a minute, held that 1 and 1/4 length lead to the line. They went on to win the final in the exact same fashion and Trinity had again gone down to the medalists.

So bridesmaids we remain after another assault at the Temple. But for those of us who have been lucky enough to row them despite the defeats, HRR will remain forever etched in our memories. DUBC will continue to contest, knowing that victory will come our way eventually.

Micheal O'Connell

James Murnane is busily arranging for a get together of the '77 Ladies Plate winning crew at Henley this year, 20 years on. He informs us that all will be there, *Robin Tamplin* included. A row over the course is hoped for, possibly to be followed up with a competitive rowing event the following weekend and a pint or two. This should prove an excellent opportunity to renew old ties and come and support the Trinity crew of 1997 who will be competing in the Regatta. It will also yet again afford another opportunity to wax lyrical on other rowing feats of the Boat Club in proceeding and indeed following years.

A "Smashing" Year

A report on the Novice Squad

The year began with approximately 25 novices being recruited during Freshers week and on the 8th October 1995 training began in earnest under the coaching of James O'Reilly, James Murnane, Mick Doyle and Donal Lunney.

As December approached training was progressing well with Donal Lunney now taking over as coach. As St Michael's head approached the squad remained at a strength of 25, and hopes were high for a good performance. In the event five VIII's and three IV's were entered. The best placed VIII finished sixth among the novices entries losing out to 2nd year novice crews but finishing ahead of UCD.

After Christmas recess, Lagan Head loomed on the horizon. The squad strength fell to approximately 18 after competition was fierce to secure a seat in the First VIII. And so with our preparations complete we set off for Belfast and our first real test on February 10th. Hopes of success or even a good result were dashed with the First VIII, suffering mechanical failure on the start line, and the 2nd VIII colliding with one of the many

bridges spanning the river, and so finishing well down the field. Fate dealt us a cruel hand for Saturday 2nd of March on the 2nd of March on the margin of four lengths.

A collision between our First VIII and a veteran crew resulted in substantial time lost, leaving the crew to finish down the field with the 2nd VIII who are now struggling to find any form.

Two weeks later we moved to Galway for the biggest event of the season held on the 16th of March. Tribesmen Head proved to be a success with both crews performing well, particularly the first VIII, but the result contained some surprises with both crews placed at the back of the field. The First VIII notched up a creditable result finishing only 2 seconds adrift of the winners of the novice category.

The transition from head racing to side by side racing was made for the Gannon Cup. The second crew raced early in the day and suffered defeat of five lengths but more importantly damaged the boat (surprise, surprise) that was then to be used by the first crew. After hurriedly assembling another craft, we could finally make the necessary improvements.

As the season was drawing to a close we entered both Athlone and Galway Regattas. This was to be our final preparation for the National Championships. We had nothing to lose and we were confident that at last we could prove our abilities, yet again things did not go well. On Friday the four floundered and failed to earn place in the finals.

This was forgotten on Sunday when the VIII qualified comfortably for the final. In this event we finished 5th out of 6 boats. It was not a bad result and was all that realistically could be hoped for. However, everyone did think of what might have been, and whether we could have achieved a more satisfying result. On reflection, it is easy to remember the year in poor light. It is true to say our performances and results were uninspiring, but that was only one aspect of the year. Many friendships were made and an interest in both rowing and DUBC was planted in many of the crew who continue to play an active role in all aspects of the club.

Both Neptune and Commercial Regattas were poorly contested but hopes were high for the University and we were confident in that at last we could prove our abilities, yet again both crews made a good showing, but failed to make a lasting impression. Once again both crews made a good showing, but failed to make a lasting impression. As the end of the college year approached Donal Lunney was making plans to travel leaving only Karl Cassidy as coach. At this time, one week before Trinity Regatta, Mickey Burgess committed himself to coach for the remainder of the season. Trinity Regatta saw the end of the Second VIII with only one VIII and one IV being entered. The VIII got no further than the first round and the IV no further than the second. Preparations for Metropolitan Regatta were hampered by exams. As a result of this the VIII recorded its' worst ever performance to date. After this event and with exams behind us our training moved from Islandbridge to Blessington, where we felt

Barry Kilcline

OUT AND ABOUT

We haven't got quite the same number of marital announcements this year but having announced *Andy Sides*'s engagement last June 1996, when he only got around to doing so himself in January 1997, we probably owe him an apology. No offence seems to have been taken, however, as he has booked the boat house for his reception.

The wheel certainly came full circle last October when *Rossa Macken*, son of *John*, joined the club. *John* will be at Henley himself this year to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Trinity's win in the Ladies Plate. We seem to have been



Trinity's new land training program.

knocking at the door ever since—perhaps this celebration will bring round a change of fortune.

Martin Murphy has followed in the footsteps of *Gerry Macken* and *Sean Tunney*, seeking fame, if not fortune in a bob-sleigh. No reports of broken bones as yet, can it possibly be safer than rowing?

DUBC men continue to head for the four corners of the globe once their days in Trinity are at an end. Thankfully some of them eventually settle closer to home. One such is *Derek Gordon* back in his home turf of Belfast.

The Atlanta Olympics seem to generate nothing but general optimism all round but for *David Browne*, *Raymond Blake* and *Brendan Mc Donagh* who made the trip to Lake Lanier for the rowing was another story. The trio were staying in a house overlooking the lake and had a marvellous time, experiencing few of the difficulties that beset the game. *Alan* and *Pauline* and young son *Thomas* were also there and already I learn that plans are being laid for Sydney 2000.

Kevin Shillington writes to say that his latest project, just completed, involved helping President Museveni of Uganda write his autobiography. No doubt *Robin Tamplin* will be reading it keenly, having spent many years in Uganda himself.

A special donation was received for the Henley Fund from "*Happy Haslan*" who was boatmen at Reading University Boat Club in the 1950's and 60's. In an accompanying note to *Robin Tamplin* he wrote

"I have wonderful memories of the Trinity Boys in the days when my colleague *Ernie Arlett* looked after them at Henley. *Ernie* and I sometimes shared the load. Visiting the Regatta anew last year after having suffered a stroke the idea of making a donation to your fund arose over a cup of tea with *Dr John Leather*, solicitor *John Pearson*, and your president *Rob van Mesdag*."

Raymond Blake

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Norman Gillet meets up with Rob Van Mesdag on the Tideway